

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2022

Dear Year 1 Parents/Carers,

### Year 1 Curriculum Letter – Summer (2<sup>nd</sup> half)

We hope you all had an fabulous half term. We can't believe it is our final half term together! We have lots of exciting things planned.

#### Our Core Values

Happiness: we spread joy to those around us.

Compassion: we care and are kind to all.

Respect: we treat others as we like to be treated.

Teamwork: we work well with everyone.

#### Year 1 Staffing

Ash Class teacher: Mrs Hassell and Mrs Mehta

Cedar Class teacher: Miss Churchill

Learning support assistants: Miss Boyle and Mrs Lamacraft

#### Communication

You can email class teachers directly on the class email accounts and we will do our best to get back to you within a couple of working days.

ashclass@harefieldinfant.com

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#### Homework

Maths and English homework, along with answers (if needed) will be emailed to parents every Monday.

**Spelling tests;** take place every Monday morning. New spellings come home every Monday.

**Reading;** Please read every day, ten minutes of reading every day will really help your child gain the confidence they need to progress with their reading. Books can be changed by your child every day in class.

#### Summer (2<sup>nd</sup> half) Term Learning

This half term we will be learning the following in each subject area.

##### English

Year 1 will use the text; 'Monkey See Monkey Do' a story from another Culture by Pie Corbett. We will use this text to write our own story about a cheeky animals. Where we will be focusing on enhancing our writing through the use of adjectives. We will continue our work on using correct punctuation in our writing. Using capital letters, finger spaces and full stops, as well as the use of question and exclamation marks. We will begin the half term writing a recount of trip to the Rainforest. Our Poem for the half term will be 'Over in the Jungle-A Rainforest Rhyme' which the children will learn to sing and create actions for. And have a go at creating their own rhyming verses for.



##### Reading

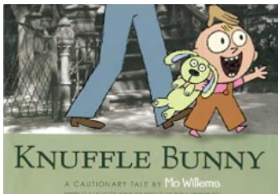
Children are taught reading skills during whole class shared reading. On a Monday and Friday children read independently and staff listen to children read a few pages of their book one at a time. Reading buddies from year five will join us in class every Friday afternoon to read with their partner.

**Week One and Two** - Key text; Knuffle Bunny? By Mo Willems

**Week Three and Four**- Non-fiction text – Who eats Who?

**Week Five and Six** – Poetry – Rumble in the Jungle

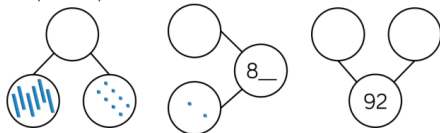
Reading is also taught every day through our phonics lessons where children practice reading words and sentences using the sounds they have been taught that day/week.



### Mathematics

In maths this half term, year 1 will spend the first two weeks focusing on place value to 100, where the children will learn to; partition numbers, use a 100 square to support their understanding of numbers, compare larger numbers, find one more and less of a number. We will then move on to learn about money; recognising coins and notes and learning to count total amounts using money. Making links to times tables. Finally we will move on to time learning about; before and after, dates-months of the year and days of the week. As well as telling the time for the hour and half past.

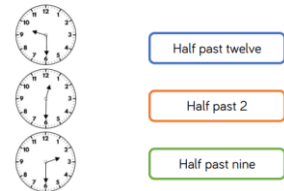
Complete the part-whole models.



Use <, > or = to compare the amounts.

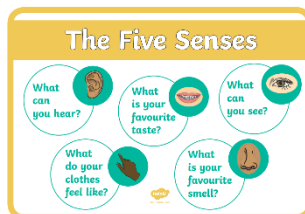


Match the times to the clocks.



### Science

The year 1 science unit this half term is titled 'Using Our Senses'. Where we will be finding out all about our bodies and how we are all different. We will be using our observational skills to learn our sense of; sight, touch, taste, hearing and smell through a variety of exciting experiments.



### Geography

An exciting 'travel around the world' day has been planned across the school with each year group choosing a country from a specific continent to research and discover. During our Geography unit this half term we will be finding out all about South America. Comparing South America to Harefield/England. We will learn Amazon Rainforest. Learning about the different layers of a Rainforest and the animals and people Rainforest.



### Design and Technology

Our Design and Technology topic for this half term is; 'Puppets' where the children will find out all about how to join materials together. Plan, create and evaluate their own Rainforest Animal hand puppets.





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### **Physical Education**

The two P.E. units in year 1 this half term are; inside 'Active Athletics' where we perfect a variety of different athletic skills, including running at speed, different jumps and throwing and aiming. Outside we will be building our fitness further with our unit; 'Fitness Frenzy' where the children will complete a range of different fitness circuits such as; skipping and running each week. We will also be preparing ourselves for the sports day which is on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> July.

PE will be every Monday-Indoors and Thursday-Outdoors. Children need to come to school dressed in the **correct** PE uniform on these days.

**PE Uniform; black** shorts or joggers, **white t-shirt**, white socks, plain black sweatshirt, and plain black trainers/plimsolls. No jewellery. Stud earrings acceptable and long hair tied back.

### **Religious Education**

Year 1 will be learning all about Judaism learning all about Rosh Hashanah & Yom Kippur.

### **Personal, Social, Health and Economic Education**

'Changing Me' is our PSHE unit for this half term, where the children will learn about; their bodies, the difference between male and female bodies and changes and that change is okay, linking this to growing up and moving on to new year groups. They will also learn about life cycles.



Please feel free to contact us via the class email accounts should you have any questions over the term ahead.

Yours faithfully

Miss Churchill, Mrs Hassell and Mrs Mehta